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**(U) CALIFORNIA****(U) San Diego – Hepatitis A Outbreak Continues to Grow, But More Slowly**

(U) Though the case count in San Diego's ongoing hepatitis A outbreak increased again yesterday, officials said that the number of new infection continues to slow. In a presentation to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, Dr. Wilma Wooten, the county's public health officer, showed a chart that indicated there were 31 cases in October, significantly fewer than the 81 reported in September and 94 in August which saw the largest total of the outbreak so far.

SOURCE: 6 November 2017, [San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

**(U) NATIONAL****(U) District of Columbia – FBI Unable to Unlock Texas Gunman's Cellphone**

(U) Washington – The Texas church shooting is providing a familiar frustration for law enforcement as FBI officials say they are unable to unlock the gunman's encrypted cellphone to learn what evidence it might hold. The debate about the issue has faded since the FBI tried to force Apple to help it hack into the phone of a shooter in the 2015 terrorist attacks in San Bernardino.

SOURCE: 8 November 2017, [Associated Press](#)

**(U) District of Columbia – Hamza Bin Laden Calls on Muslims to Avenge the Death of His Father**

(U) Washington – The new face of al-Qa'ida and the son of the mastermind of the 11 September 2001 attacks, Hamza bin Laden, released a new audio message on today, calling on Muslims around the world to avenge his father Osama's death in 2011. The 25-minute clip is titled "Osama the Fighter Against Invaders & Inciter of Rebellion Against Tyrants" and was released by al-Qa'ida's media wing, As-Sahab, complete with English subtitles.

SOURCE: 7 November 2017, [Newsweek](#)

**(U) Missouri – Highway Patrol Makes Largest Fentanyl Seizure in the State to Date**

(U) New Madrid – The largest fentanyl seizure in the state of Missouri was made in New Madrid County last week. During a traffic stop and search on 1 November, the Missouri State Highway Patrol discovered almost five pounds of the powerful opioid drug in a suspect's vehicle, which had been traveling northbound on Interstate 55. The driver, 27-year-old Angel Larar-Esteban of Phoenix, Arizona, was arrested for felony drug trafficking and endangering the welfare of a child.

SOURCE: 7 November 2017, [KRCU](#)

**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) Russia – Russia's 'Fancy Bear' Hackers Exploit Microsoft Office Flaw and NYC Terrorism Fears**

(U) Moscow – The Kremlin-linked hacking group known as APT28, or Fancy Bear, hacked the Democratic National Committee and the Clinton campaign last year. Now, the same hackers seem to be exploiting last week's ISIS attack in New York City to advance their espionage tactics again, using a freshly exposed

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vulnerability in Microsoft's software. Researchers at McAfee revealed today that they've been tracking a new phishing campaign from the Russia-linked hacker team.

SOURCE: 7 November 2017, [Wired](#)

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